



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2176**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant : Johnathan J. Hull  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 9, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.